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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re Chapter 11 Case No.

LEHMAN BROTHERS HOLDINGS INC., et al., : 08 - 13555 (SCC)

(Jointly Administered) Debtors.

NOTICE OF PRESENTMENT OF MOTION FOR FINAL DECREE CLOSING CERTAIN CHAPTER 11 CASES PURSUANT TO SECTION 350(a) OF THE **BANKRUPTCY CODE AND BANKRUPTCY RULE 3022**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. ("LBHI" or the "Plan Administrator"), as Plan Administrator under the Modified Third Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. and its Affiliated Debtors, will present the annexed Motion for Final Decree Closing Certain of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases Pursuant to Section 350(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 3022 (the "Motion") and proposed order (the "Proposed Order") to the Honorable Shelley C. Chapman, United States Bankruptcy Judge, for signature on January 25, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. (Prevailing Eastern Time).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that unless a written objection to the Motion and the Proposed Order, with proof of service, is served and filed with the Clerk of the 08-13555-mg Doc 59383 Filed 01/10/19 Entered 01/10/19 11:03:06 Main Document Pq 2 of 18

Court and a courtesy copy is delivered to the Bankruptcy Judge's chambers and the undersigned

so as to be received by January 24, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. (Prevailing Eastern Time), there will

not be a hearing and the Proposed Order may be signed and entered with no further notice or

opportunity to be heard offered to any party. If a written objection is timely served and filed, a

hearing (the "Hearing") to consider the Motion and the Proposed Order will be held before the

Honorable Shelley C. Chapman, United States Bankruptcy Judge, at the United States

Bankruptcy Court, Alexander Hamilton Customs House, Courtroom 623, One Bowling Green,

New York, New York 10004, on a date to be scheduled (only if an objection is filed). Objecting

parties are required to attend the Hearing and failure to appear may result in relief being granted

or denied upon default.

Dated: January 10, 2019

New York, New York

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Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

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MOTION FOR FINAL DECREE CLOSING CERTAIN CHAPTER 11 CASES PURSUANT TO SECTION 350(a) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE AND BANKRUPTCY RULE 3022

TO THE HONORABLE SHELLEY C. CHAPMAN, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc., as Plan Administrator ("<u>LBHI</u>" or the "<u>Plan Administrator</u>") respectfully represents:

Relief Requested

1. By this motion, the Plan Administrator requests entry of a final decree closing the chapter 11 cases of the three entities set forth on Exhibit A (the "Closing Debtors"), pursuant to section 350(a) of chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rule 3022 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and Rule 3022-1 of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York (the "Local").

<u>Bankruptcy Rules</u>"). The Plan Administrator has been able to liquidate substantially all of the Closing Debtors' assets and resolve all of their disputed claims. Closing their chapter 11 cases will allow two Closing Debtors to make final distributions to creditors and all to cease paying administrative fees. A closing report is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> (the "<u>Closing Report</u>"). A proposed form of final decree is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u>.

Background

- 2. Beginning on September 15, 2008, and on various dates thereafter (the "Commencement Date"), each of the debtors in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Entities") commenced with this Court voluntary cases under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "Chapter 11 Cases"). The Chapter 11 Cases were consolidated for procedural purposes only and are being jointly administered pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b).
- 3. On December 6, 2011, this Court entered an order (the "Confirmation Order") [ECF No. 23023] confirming the Modified Third Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. and Its Affiliated Debtors [ECF No. 22973] (the "Plan"). The Plan became effective on March 6, 2012 (the "Effective Date").
- 4. Pursuant to the Plan, the Plan Administrator has the authority and right on behalf of each of the Chapter 11 Entities to carry out and implement all provisions of the Plan.

¹ The twenty-three Chapter 11 Entities are: Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc., LB 745 LLC, PAMI Statler Arms LLC, Lehman Brothers Commodity Services Inc., Lehman Brothers Special Financing Inc., Lehman Brothers OTC Derivatives Inc., Lehman Brothers Derivatives Products Inc., Lehman Commercial Paper Inc., Lehman Brothers Commercial Corporation, Lehman Brothers Financial Products Inc., Lehman Scottish Finance L.P., CES Aviation LLC, CES Aviation V LLC, CES Aviation IX LLC, East Dover Limited, Luxembourg Residential Properties Loan Finance S.a.r.l., BNC Mortgage LLC, Structured Asset Securities Corporation, LB Rose Ranch LLC, LB 2080 Kalakaua Owners LLC, Merit LLC, LB Somerset LLC, and LB Preferred Somerset LLC. The cases of LB 2080 Kalakaua Owners LLC, LB Preferred Somerset LLC, LB Somerset LLC, LB 745 LLC, PAMI Statler Arms LLC, CES Aviation LLC, CES Aviation V LLC, and CES Aviation IX LLC were closed on January 28, 2016 [ECF No. 51920]. The cases of East Dover Limited, Luxembourg Residential Properties Loan Finance S.a.r.l., and Merit LLC were closed on December 15, 2016 [ECF No. 54163]. The cases of LB Rose Ranch LLC, Lehman Scottish Finance L.P., Lehman Brothers Financial Products Inc., and Lehman Brothers Derivatives Products Inc. were closed on June 14, 2018 [ECF No. 58257].

The Plan Administrator has made significant progress in asset recovery and claims resolution for each of the Debtors. To date, the Plan Administrator has made distributions to creditors totaling approximately \$126.6 billion, of which \$93.9 billion were payments on account of third party claims against the Chapter 11 Entities. Since the Effective Date, fifteen of the twenty three Chapter 11 Cases were closed pursuant to final decrees issued by the Court on January 28, 2016 [ECF No. 51920], December 15, 2016 [ECF No. 54163] and June 14, 2018 [ECF No. 58257].

Jurisdiction and Venue

5. This Court has jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

Basis for Relief Requested

- 6. Section 350(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides that "[a]fter an estate is fully administered and the court has discharged the trustee, the court shall close the case." Bankruptcy Rule 3022, which implements section 350 of the Bankruptcy Code, further provides that "[a]fter an estate is fully administered in a chapter 11 reorganization case, the court, on its own motion or on motion of a party in interest, shall enter a final decree closing the case."
- 7. The term "fully administered" is not defined in either the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules. The Advisory Committee Note to Bankruptcy Rule 3022 provides, in relevant part:

Factors that the court should consider in determining whether the estate has been fully administered include (1) whether the order confirming the plan has become final, (2) whether deposits required by the plan have been distributed, (3) whether the property proposed by the plan to be transferred has been transferred, (4) whether the debtor [or its successor] has assumed the business or the management of the property dealt with by the plan, (5) whether payments under the plan have commenced, and (6) whether all motions, contested matters, and adversary proceedings have been finally resolved.

The court should not keep the case open only because of the possibility that the court's jurisdiction may be involved in the future. A final decree closing the case . . . does not deprive the court of jurisdiction to enforce or interpret its own orders and does not prevent the court from reopening the case for cause pursuant to § 350(b) of the Code.

Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3022, Advisory Comm. Note.

8. Courts have generally used the six factors listed in the Advisory Committee Note to determine whether a case has been fully administered. *See, e.g., In re Kliegl Bros. Universal Elec. Stage Lighting Co., Inc.*, 238 B.R. 531 (Bankr. E.D.N.Y. 1999); *In re Jay Bee Enter., Inc.*, 207 B.R. 536, 538 (Bankr. E.D. Ky. 1997); *In re Mold Makers, Inc.*, 124 B.R. 766 (Bankr. N.D. Ill. 1990). The six factors, however, are merely guidelines that aid a court's determination, and each of the factors need not be present before a court enters a final decree. *See Mold Makers*, 124 B.R. at 768-69; *see also Walnut Associates v. Saidel*, 164 B.R 487 (E.D. Pa. 1994).

The Closing Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases Have Been Fully Administered

- 9. The Closing Debtors' chapter 11 cases have been "fully administered" within the meaning of section 350 of the Bankruptcy Code, making it appropriate for the Court to enter a final decree closing these cases. Specifically, with respect to each of the Closing Debtors:
 - the Confirmation Order is final and non-appealable;
 - the Plan has gone effective;
 - the transactions contemplated by the Plan have been consummated;
 - all claims filed against the Closing Debtors have been either allowed or disallowed;
 - subject to completion of final distributions to be made upon Court approval of this Motion, all payments required under the Plan by the Closing Debtors to their Creditors have been made; and

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• the Closing Debtors are not parties in any adversary proceedings or contested matters pending before this Court.

Based upon the foregoing, the Plan Administrator submits it is appropriate to close the Chapter 11 Cases of the Closing Debtors.

- 10. Section 1930(a)(6) of title 28 of the U.S. Code requires that quarterly fees be paid to the U.S. Trustee after confirmation and consummation of a chapter 11 plan until a debtor's case is closed. Unless and until the Court enters a final decree closing the Chapter 11 Cases of the Closing Debtors, quarterly fees will continue to accrue. Inasmuch as there are no further assets or liabilities for the Closing Debtors to administer in the Bankruptcy Court, the Plan Administrator has determined that it is prudent to close the Chapter 11 Cases of the Closing Debtors at this time to stop the accrual of further U.S. Trustee fees.
- 11. The Closing Debtors have made Distributions under the Plan of \$4,831,920,981.60 in the aggregate, including payments of post-petition interest by certain of the Closing Debtors to creditors with allowed claims in accordance with the Plan. Lehman Brothers Commercial Corporation intends to make an additional and final distribution of \$2,014,937.24 and Lehman Brothers Commodity Services Inc. intends to make an additional and final distribution of \$1,604,791.60. A breakdown of Distributions by each Closing Debtor made to date and the final distributions to be made by each Closing Debtor are included in the Closing Report.
- 12. The Closing Debtors will pay all outstanding U.S. Trustee fees due and owing for their Chapter 11 Cases.
- 13. Accordingly, the Plan Administrator submits ample justification exists for entry of a final decree closing the Chapter 11 Cases of the Closing Debtors.

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The Final Distribution

- 14. Under the Plan and the Order In Aid of Execution of The Modified Third Amended Chapter 11 Plan of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. And Its Affiliated Debtors, dated January 31, 2013 [ECF No. 34348] (the "Order in Aid of Execution"), Distributions of Available Cash are to be made semi-annually on or about March 30 and September 30 of each year. Plan, § 8.3.
- 15. The Plan Administrator seeks authorization to make final distributions from Lehman Brothers Commercial Corporation and Lehman Brothers Commodity Services Inc. prior to the next regularly scheduled Distribution Date, which would be on or about March 31, 2019, in order to close the case, stop the accrual of additional U.S. Trustee fees, and provide distributions to various creditors.
- 16. If the Court grants the Motion, Lehman Brothers Commercial Corporation will distribute \$2,014,937.24 in additional distributions to its equity owner, Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. and Lehman Brothers Commodity Services Inc. will distribute \$1,604,791.60 in additional distributions to its various creditors.
- 17. In accordance with section 8.11 of the Plan and the Order in Aid of Execution, for purposes of the final distribution, the Closing Debtors and the Plan Administrator will not recognize any transfer of claims after January 10, 2019. Notwithstanding section 1.48 of the Plan and the provisions of the Order in Aid of Execution, the Plan Administrator believes it should not be required to publish a written notice of the final distributions for the Closing Debtors.

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The Closing Report

18. In accordance with the requirements of Local Bankruptcy Rule 3022-1, annexed hereto as Exhibit B is the Closing Report. The Closing Report has also been filed with the Clerk of the Court contemporaneously herewith.

Notice

- 19. Notice of this Motion has been provided to (i) the United States Trustee for Region 2; (ii) the Securities and Exchange Commission; (iii) the Internal Revenue Service; (iv) the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York; (v) the creditors of each of the Closing Debtors; and (vi) all other parties entitled to notice in accordance with the procedures set forth in the second amended order entered on June 17, 2010 governing case management and administrative procedures for these cases [ECF No. 9635]. The Plan Administrator submits that such notice is sufficient and no other or further notice need be provided.
- 20. No previous request for the relief sought herein has been made by the Plan Administrator to this or any other Court.

WHEREFORE the Plan Administrator respectfully requests that the Court grant the relief requested herein and such other and further relief as it deems just and proper.

Dated: January 10, 2019 New York, New York

/s/ Garrett A. Fail

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EXHIBIT A CLOSING DEBTORS

Entity	Case Number			
Lehman Brothers Commercial Corporation	08-13885			
Lehman Brothers Commodity Services Inc.	08-13901			
Structured Asset Securities Corporation	09-10558			

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$\frac{\textbf{EXHIBIT B}}{\textbf{CLOSING REPORT}}$

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CLOSING REPORT IN CHAPTER 11 CASES

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the following is a breakdown in the Closing Debtors' cases:

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FEES AND EXPENSES (fro	om case inception through the Effective Date of the Plan):
\$838,466,000 (approximate)	FEE for ATTORNEY for DEBTORS ¹
\$988,769,000 (approximate)	OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES and EXPENSES for DEBTORS ²
N/A	_TRUSTEE FEE (if applicable)
N/A	_FEE for ATTORNEY for TRUSTEE (if applicable)

Each Closing Debtor has made or will make the following distributions³:

¹ Professional fees for the Debtors' attorneys and other professionals have been reported in the aggregate amount for all Debtors, including the Closing Debtors. In accordance with the Plan, the Closing Debtors have been allocated their share of the professional fees and expenses, which share has been paid in full.

² See supra footnote 1.

³ There were no allowed claims against any of the Closing Debtors other than claims in the classes reflected herein.

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DEBTOR BY PLAN CLASS	TOTAL % DISTRIBUTION	TOTAL INTERIM \$ DISTRIBUTIONS				TOTAL \$ DISTRIBUTIONS	
LEHMAN BROTHERS COMMERCIAL CORPORATION							
Administrative Claims	100.000%	\$	79,000,000.00	\$	-	\$	79,000,000.00
CLASS 3 Convenience Claims	40.000%		234,299.70				234,299.70
CLASS 4 General Unsecured Claims	100.000%		387,931,879.46				387,931,879.46
CLASS 5B Affiliate Claims of Participating Subsidiary Debtors	100.000%		747,529,827.17				747,529,827.17
CLASS 5C Affiliate Claims other than those of Participating Subsidiary Debtors	100.000%		494,139,799.37				494,139,799.37
Priority Tax Claims	40.000%		1,004.92				1,004.92
CLASS 6 Equity Interests			50,000,000.00		2,014,937.24		52,014,937.24
		\$	1,758,836,810.62	\$	2,014,937.24	\$	1,760,851,747.86
LEHMAN BROTHERS COMMODITY SERVICES INC.							
Administrative Expense Claims		\$	303,100.74	\$	-	\$	303,100.74
CLASS 3 Convenience Claims	55.000%		286,836.70				286,836.70
CLASS 4 General Unsecured Claims	82.189%		1,744,114,544.53		1,060,981.74		1,745,175,526.27
CLASS 5A Affiliate Claims of LBHI	95.568%		876,873,265.57		533,798.74		877,407,064.31
CLASS 5C Affiliate Claims other than those of Participating Subsidiary Debtors	82.189%		16,445,256.51		10,011.12		16,455,267.63
Priority Tax Claims			274,088.82				274,088.82
		\$	2,638,297,092.87	\$	1,604,791.60	\$	2,639,901,884.47
STRUCTURED ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION							
CLASS 3 General Unsecured Claims	88.857%	\$	17,867,593.97	\$	-	\$	17,867,593.97
CLASS 4A Affiliate Claims of LBHI	88.857%		416,917,922.81				416,917,922.81
CLASS 4B Affiliate Claims other than those of LBHI	88.857%		1,561.33				1,561.33
		\$	434,787,078.11	\$	-	\$	434,787,078.11
Grand Total		\$	4,831,920,981.60	\$	3,619,728.84	\$	4,835,540,710.44

Dated: January 10, 2019 New York, New York

> Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc., as Plan Administrators for the Closing Debtors

By: <u>/s/ Clifford Feibus</u>

Name: Clifford Feibus

Title: Senior Vice President and Controller

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EXHIBIT C PROPOSED FINAL DECREE

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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et al., Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

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FINAL DECREE CLOSING CERTAIN OF THE DEBTORS' CHAPTER 11 CASES PURSUANT TO SECTION 350(a) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE AND BANKRUPTCY RULE 3022

Upon the motion, dated January 10, 2019 (the "Motion"), of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc., as Plan Administrator (the "Plan Administrator"), pursuant to section 350(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 3022, and Local Rule 3022-1 for entry of a final decree closing the chapter 11 cases of the Closing Debtors listed on Exhibit 1 hereto, all as more fully described in the Motion; and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and Amended Standing Order of Reference M-431, dated January 31, 2012 (Preska, C.J.); and consideration of the Motion and the relief requested therein being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Motion having been provided and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and no objections having been filed; and the Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and all parties in interest, and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion

¹ Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Motion.

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establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause

appearing therefor, it is

ORDERED that the relief requested in the Motion is granted; and it is further

ORDERED that, pursuant to section 350(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy

Rule 3022 and Local Rule 3022-1, the cases listed on Exhibit 1 hereto are hereby closed

effective as of the date hereof; provided, however, that the Court shall retain such jurisdiction as

is provided in Article 14 of the Plan (Retention of Jurisdiction), and the entry of this Final

Decree is without prejudice to the rights of the Closing Debtors or any party in interest to seek to

reopen the Closing Debtors' chapter 11 cases for cause shown; and it is further

ORDERED that the Closing Debtors are authorized to make a final distribution

upon entry of this order and the Plan Administrator shall not be required recognize any claim

transfer occurring after January 10, 2019; and it is further

ORDERED that the Plan Administrator is not required to publish notice of the

final distributions for the Closing Debtors; and it is further

ORDERED that all U.S. Trustee fees due and owing for the Closing Debtors shall

be paid following entry of this Final Decree; and it is further

ORDERED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all

matters arising from or related to the implementation or interpretation of this Final Decree.

Dated: January 10, 2019

New York, New York

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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